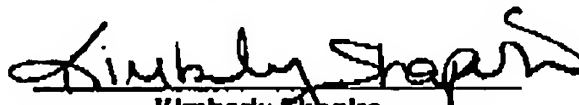


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Kimberly Shapiro

Docket No. 00-404/442
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: application of:
Stephen Hustead et al.

Serial No. 10/054,131

Filed: January 22, 2002

For: Modified High Temperature
Processing Apparatus

Group Art Unit: 3725

Examiner: Jimmy T. Nguyen

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
☒ Prior to abandonment of the application

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:
☒ New arguments
☒ New Amendments

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of:
☒ Other than a small entity\$790.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	FEES	
Total	3-20 =	0	X18	\$0
Independent	1-3 =	0	X84	\$0
Multiple dependent claims present: 0			\$280	\$0
			TOTAL	\$0

☒ As shown above, no additional fee for claims is required.

☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ _____.

EXTENSION OF TERM

6. (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 410.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 930.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,450.00

Fee: \$0

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

OR

(b)☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (§ 1.17(e)) \$ 790

Fee(s) for additional claims (if any) (§ 1.16(b)-(d)) \$ _____

Extension of time fee (if any) (§ 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) \$ 0

Total Fee(s) Due \$790

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$790 to Deposit Account No. 08-3115.

Authorization is also given to charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-3115.

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors:

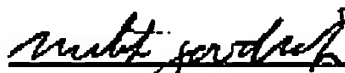
☒ the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

DEFERRAL OF EXAMINATION

10. ☐ A request for deferral of examination accompanies this request for continued examination.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 25 January 2005


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